

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**  
**U.S. Appln. No. 09/319,384**

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner requests that Applicants select one of the following groups for prosecution on the merits:

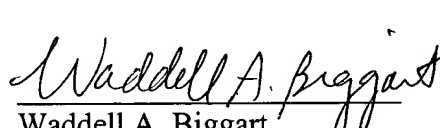
- Group I        -        Claims 1-19, drawn to a composition for treating the inside of a porous article; and
- Group II       -        Claims 20-36, drawn to a method for treating a porous article.

Applicants elect Group I, encompassing Claims 1-19, drawn to a composition for treating the inside of a porous article without traverse.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited.

If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**APPENDIX**

**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Claims 20-36 are canceled.**